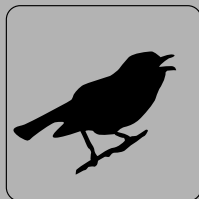
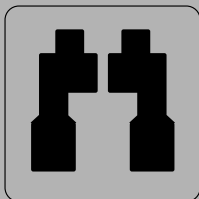


Shiawassee

National Wildlife Refuge Bird Checklist





The "**Blue Goose**" symbolizes the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of over 500 refuges protected and managed for wildlife, habitat and people.

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Welcome to Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge. Over 9,100 acres of marsh, bottomland hardwood, grassland and agricultural lands are protected here. Four rivers cross the Refuge to form Michigan's largest tributary, the Saginaw River. Frequent flooding and diverse habitat make this an excellent spot for viewing waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, songbirds and raptors. Bird activity on the refuge is highlighted by the large waterfowl concentrations during the spring and fall.

You will find 267 species of birds listed in this brochure, 34 of which are considered incidental to this area and are listed separately. The bird list follows the 1998 American Ornithologists' Union Checklist.

Symbols used are as follows:

- * indicates nesting on the Refuge has recently occurred
- ! State endangered species
- # State threatened species

Sp .. March-May

S June-August

F September-November

W ... December-February

- a abundant: a common species which is very numerous
- c common: certain to be seen or heard in suitable habitat, not in large numbers
- u uncommon: present but not always seen
- o occasional: seen only a few times during the season
- r rare: seen every 2 to 5 years

Birdwatching is encouraged! For more information, or to report any unusual sightings, please contact refuge personnel.

	Sp	S	F	W
Loons and Grebes				
___ Pied-billed Grebe*	u	u	u	-
___ Horned Grebe	r	-	r	-
Pelicans				
___ American White Pelican	r	r	r	-
Cormorants				
___ Double-crested Cormorant	c	r	c	-
Bitterns and Herons				
___ American Bittern*	o	u	o	-
___ Least Bittern* #	o	u	o	-
___ Great Blue Heron*	a	a	a	u
___ Great Egret	u	a	c	-
___ Cattle Egret	r	r	r	-
___ Green Heron*	u	u	u	-
___ Black-crowned Night-Heron	u	u	u	-
Vultures				
___ Turkey Vulture	c	c	c	-
Swans, Geese and Ducks				
___ Tundra Swan	u	-	u	-
___ Greater White-fronted Goose	r	-	r	-
___ Snow Goose	u	-	u	o
___ Ross' Goose	r	-	r	-
___ Canada Goose*	a	c	a	a
___ Wood Duck*	c	c	c	-
___ Green-winged Teal	c	o	c	r
___ American Black Duck	c	u	c	c
___ Mallard*	a	c	a	c
___ Northern Pintail	u	-	u	r
___ Blue-winged Teal*	c	u	c	-
___ Northern Shoveler*	u	r	u	r
___ Gadwall	o	-	o	-
___ American Wigeon	u	-	u	-
___ Canvasback	o	r	o	-
___ Redhead*	o	r	o	-
___ Ring-necked Duck	u	-	u	-
___ Greater Scaup	r	-	r	-
___ Lesser Scaup	u	-	u	-
___ Common Goldeneye	o	-	o	o
___ Bufflehead	u	-	u	-
___ Hooded Merganser*	u	o	u	-
___ Common Merganser	c	r	a	c
___ Red-breasted Merganser	r	-	r	-
___ Ruddy Duck	u	-	u	-
Hawks & Eagles				
___ Osprey#	r	r	r	-
___ Bald Eagle* #	u	u	u	u

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Northern Harrier	u	o	u	u
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	o	r	o	r
___ Cooper's Hawk	o	r	o	u
___ Northern Goshawk	-	-	r	r
___ Red-shouldered Hawk#	r	r	r	r
___ Broad-winged Hawk	r	r	r	-
___ Red-tailed Hawk*	c	c	c	c
___ Rough-legged Hawk	o	-	o	u
___ Golden Eagle	r	-	r	r
Falcons				
___ American Kestrel	o	o	o	o
___ Merlin#	r	-	r	-
___ Peregrine Falcon!	o	-	o	-
Gallinaceous Birds				
___ Ring-necked Pheasant*	u	u	u	u
___ Ruffed Grouse	r	r	r	r
___ Wild Turkey	u	u	u	u
Rails and Coots				
___ Virginia Rail*	u	u	u	-
___ Sora*	u	u	u	-
___ Common Moorhen*	u	u	u	-
___ American Coot*	u	u	u	-
Cranes				
___ Sandhill Crane	o	r	o	-
Shorebirds				
___ Black-bellied Plover	o	-	o	-
___ American Golden-Plover	r	-	r	-
___ Semipalmated Plover	u	-	u	-
___ Killdeer*	c	c	c	-
___ American Avocet	r	-	r	-
___ Greater Yellowlegs	c	-	c	-
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	c	-	c	-
___ Solitary Sandpiper	u	-	u	-
___ Spotted Sandpiper*	c	c	c	-
___ Upland Sandpiper	r	-	r	-
___ Hudsonian Godwit	r	-	r	-
___ Marbled Godwit	r	-	-	-
___ Red Knot	r	-	r	-
___ Sanderling	-	-	r	-
___ Semipalmated Sandpiper	u	-	u	-
___ Least Sandpiper	u	-	u	-
___ White-rumped Sandpiper	o	-	o	-
___ Baird's Sandpiper	o	-	o	-
___ Pectoral Sandpiper	u	-	u	-
___ Dunlin	c	-	u	-
___ Stilt Sandpiper	o	-	u	-
___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper	-	-	r	-

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Short-billed Dowitcher	u	-	u	-
___ Long-billed Dowitcher	r	-	u	-
___ Common Snipe	u	-	u	-
___ American Woodcock	o	r	r	-
___ Wilson's Phalarope	r	-	o	-
___ Red-necked Phalarope	r	-	r	-
Gulls and Terns				
___ Franklin's Gull	-	-	r	-
___ Bonaparte's Gull	u	-	u	-
___ Ring-billed Gull	c	c	a	o
___ Herring Gull	u	u	c	u
___ Glaucous Gull	-	-	-	r
___ Lesser Black-backed Gull	-	-	-	r
___ Great Black-backed Gull	-	-	-	r
___ Caspian Tern#	u	-	u	-
___ Common Tern#	u	-	u	-
___ Forster's Tern	o	-	o	-
___ Black Tern*	o	r	o	-
Doves				
___ Rock Dove	o	o	o	o
___ Mourning Dove*	c	c	c	c
Cuckoos and Roadrunners				
___ Black-billed Cuckoo*	o	o	o	-
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	o	o	o	-
Owls				
___ Eastern Screech-Owl*	u	u	u	u
___ Great Horned Owl*	u	u	u	u
___ Snowy Owl	-	-	-	r
___ Barred Owl*	u	u	u	u
___ Short-eared Owl!	-	-	-	o
Nighthawks and Nightjars				
___ Common Nighthawk	o	-	o	-
___ Whip-poor-will	r	-	-	-
Swifts				
___ Chimney Swift	o	o	o	-
Hummingbirds				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird	u	o	o	-
Kingfishers				
___ Belted Kingfisher*	u	u	u	r
Woodpeckers				
___ Red-headed Woodpecker	o	r	o	-
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	r	-	r	-

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
___ Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
___ Northern Flicker*	c	c	c	r
___ Pileated Woodpecker*	o	o	o	o

Flycatchers

___ Olive-sided Flycatcher	r	-	r	-
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee*	c	c	u	-
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	r	-	r	-
___ Alder Flycatcher	r	-	-	-
___ Willow Flycatcher*	u	u	o	-
___ Least Flycatcher*	u	u	o	-
___ Eastern Phoebe*	u	u	u	-
___ Great Crested Flycatcher*	c	c	u	-
___ Eastern Kingbird*	u	u	u	-

Shrikes

___ Northern Shrike	-	-	-	o
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Vireos

___ Blue-headed Vireo	o	-	r	-
___ Yellow-throated Vireo*	o	o	r	-
___ Warbling Vireo*	u	u	u	-
___ Philadelphia Vireo	r	-	r	-
___ Red-eyed Vireo*	u	u	u	-

Jays and Crows

___ Blue Jay*	c	c	c	c
___ American Crow*	c	c	c	c

Larks

___ Horned Lark*	c	c	c	c
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Swallows

___ Purple Martin	r	-	-	-
___ Tree Swallow*	a	c	a	-
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	c	u	c	-
___ Bank Swallow	c	u	c	-
___ Cliff Swallow	r	-	r	-
___ Barn Swallow*	c	c	c	-

Chickadees and Titmice

___ Black-capped Chickadee*	a	a	a	a
___ Tufted Titmouse*	c	c	c	c

Nuthatches

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	-	-	-	r
___ White-breasted Nuthatch*	c	c	c	c

Creepers

___ Brown Creeper*	c	c	c	c
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	Sp	S	F	W
Wrens				
___ House Wren*	c	c	c	-
___ Winter Wren	o	-	o	-
___ Sedge Wren*	u	u	u	-
___ Marsh Wren*	u	u	u	-
Kinglets, Bluebirds and Thrushes				
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	u	-	u	-
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u	-	u	-
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	u	u	o	-
___ Eastern Bluebird*	u	o	u	-
___ Veery	r	-	r	-
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush	o	-	o	-
___ Swainson's Thrush	u	-	u	-
___ Hermit Thrush	u	-	u	-
___ Wood Thrush*	u	u	u	-
___ American Robin*	a	a	a	r
Mimics				
___ Gray Catbird*	c	c	c	-
___ Northern Mockingbird	r	r	r	-
___ Brown Thrasher*	o	o	o	-
Starlings				
___ European Starling*	c	c	c	c
Pipits				
___ American Pipit	u	-	u	-
Waxwings				
___ Bohemian Waxwing	-	-	-	r
___ Cedar Waxwing*	u	u	u	u
Warblers				
___ Blue-winged Warbler	o	-	r	-
___ Golden-winged Warbler	o	-	r	-
___ Tennessee Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Orange-crowned Warbler	r	-	r	-
___ Nashville Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Northern Parula	o	-	r	-
___ Yellow Warbler*	c	c	c	-
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Magnolia Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Cape May Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	c	-	c	-
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Blackburnian Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Pine Warbler	o	-	r	-
___ Palm Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Bay-breasted Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Blackpoll Warbler	u	-	u	-

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Cerulean Warbler	o	r	r	-
___ Black-and-white Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ American Redstart*	u	u	u	-
___ Prothonotary Warbler*	u	u	o	-
___ Ovenbird*	u	u	u	-
___ Northern Waterthrush	u	-	u	-
___ Connecticut Warbler	r	-	r	-
___ Mourning Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Common Yellowthroat*	c	c	c	-
___ Wilson's Warbler	u	-	u	-
___ Canada Warbler	u	-	u	-

Tanagers

___ Scarlet Tanager*	u	u	o	-
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Sparrows, Buntings and Grosbeaks

___ Eastern Towhee	o	r	o	-
___ American Tree Sparrow	o	-	-	c
___ Chipping Sparrow*	u	u	u	-
___ Field Sparrow*	r	r	r	-
___ Vesper Sparrow*	u	u	u	-
___ Savannah Sparrow*	c	c	c	-
___ Fox Sparrow	o	-	o	-
___ Song Sparrow*	a	a	a	o
___ Lincoln's Sparrow	o	-	o	-
___ Swamp Sparrow*	o	o	o	-
___ White-throated Sparrow	c	-	c	-
___ White-crowned Sparrow	u	-	u	-
___ Dark-eyed Junco	c	-	c	u
___ Lapland Longspur	o	-	-	r
___ Snow Bunting	o	-	-	u
___ Northern Cardinal*	c	c	c	c
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak*	u	u	o	-
___ Indigo Bunting*	u	u	u	-

Blackbirds and Orioles

___ Bobolink*	o	o	u	-
___ Red-winged Blackbird*	a	a	a	r
___ Yellow-headed Blackbird*	r	r	-	-
___ Eastern Meadowlark*	o	o	o	r
___ Rusty Blackbird	u	-	u	-
___ Brewer's Blackbird	r	-	r	-
___ Common Grackle*	c	c	c	-
___ Brown-headed Cowbird*	c	c	c	r
___ Baltimore Oriole*	u	u	o	-

Finches

___ Purple Finch	-	-	r	r
___ House Finch	u	u	u	u
___ Common Redpoll	-	-	-	r
___ Pine Siskin	r	-	-	r

Northern Cardinal

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___ American Goldfinch*
___ Evening Grosbeak

Sp	S	F	W
c	c	c	
-	-	-	r
o	o	o	o

Old World Sparrows

___ House Sparrow

Incidentals

Common Loon#
Eared Grebe
Yellow-crowned Night Heron
Snowy Egret
White Ibis
Glossy Ibis
Trumpeter Swan
Mute Swan
Barnacle Goose
Oldsquaw
Black Scoter
Surf Scoter
White-winged Scoter
Gyr Falcon
Northern Bobwhite
King Rail!
Black-necked Stilt

Willet
Whimbrel
Ruff
Laughing Gull
Iceland Gull
Long-eared Owl#
Acadian Flycatcher
Carolina Wren
Kirtland's Warbler!
Prairie Warbler
Yellow-breasted Chat
Harris' Sparrow
Dickcissel*
Western Meadowlark
Orchard Oriole
Pine Grosbeak
Hoary Redpoll

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